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Addendum

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2. Add the following message from the Minister for External Relations of Argentina at the beginning of section II.C and renumber the subsequent messages in section II.C accordingly.

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1. H.E. Mr. Dante Caputo, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Argentina

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I have the honour to address this message to the United Nations Council for Namibia on the occasion of the observance once again of Namibia Day, established by General Assembly resolutions 3111 (XXVIII) and 3295 (XXIX).

In this connection, I should like once again to state that the Argentine Republic supports all the efforts of the United Nations and of the vast majority of the international community directed towards ensuring that the people of Namibia are able to enjoy the genuine exercise of their right to national self-determination and independence with full respect for the territorial integrity of Namibia. To this end, I should like to reaffirm the position of my country's Government, which has been stated in all international forums, to the effect that Security Council resolutions 385 (1976), 432 (1978), 435 (1978) and 439 (1978) constitute the legitimate framework for a peaceful and just transition towards the unconditional independence of Namibia.

In this context, the Argentine people and Government express their firm hope that we are approaching the goal of establishing the bases for the final achievement of peace in South-West Africa through the full implementation of Security Council resolution 435 (1978).

Only through the holding of free elections, which will liberate Namibia from illegal occupation by South Africa and from the shameful régime of apartheid, can the Namibian nation establish itself as a national State in the full exercise of its sovereign rights.

Finally, I should like to state that the Argentine Republic will continue to support the untiring efforts and effective work of the United Nations Council for Namibia.